



# AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Docket No.  
SONYJP 3.0-164

Application No.  
09/854,287-Conf. #8086

Filing Date  
May 11, 2001

Examiner  
B. P. Yenke

Art Unit  
2614

Applicant(s): Akira Shirahama, Shinichiro Miyazaki, and Seigo Hirakawa

Invention: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR PROCESSING PREDETERMINED PROGRAM DATA

## TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.

| CLAIMS AS AMENDED                                                        |                                           |                                         |                                   |      |      |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------|------|
|                                                                          | Claims<br>Remaining<br>After<br>Amendment | Highest<br>Number<br>Previously<br>Paid | Number<br>Extra Claims<br>Present | Rate |      |
| Total Claims                                                             | 15                                        | - 20 =                                  |                                   | x    |      |
| Independent<br>Claims                                                    | 3                                         | - 3 =                                   |                                   | x    |      |
| Multiple Dependent Claims (check if applicable) <input type="checkbox"/> |                                           |                                         |                                   |      |      |
| Other fee (please specify):                                              |                                           |                                         |                                   |      |      |
| <b>TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT:</b>                          |                                           |                                         |                                   |      | 0.00 |

☒ Large Entity

☐ Small Entity

☒ No additional fee is required for this amendment.

☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. \_\_\_\_\_ in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_.  
A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

☐ A check in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to cover the filing fee is enclosed.

☐ Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.

☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge and credit Deposit Account No. 12-1095  
as described below. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

☒ Credit any overpayment.

☒ Charge any additional filing or application processing fees required under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17.

Dated: June 21, 2006

Orville R. Cockings  
Attorney/Agent Reg. No.: 42,424

LERNER, DAVID, LITTENBERG, KRUMHOLZ & MENTLIK, LLP  
600 South Avenue West  
Westfield, New Jersey 07090  
(908) 518-6397

I hereby certify that this paper (along with any paper referred to as being attached or enclosed) is being deposited with the U.S. Postal Service on the date shown below with sufficient postage as First Class Mail, in an envelope addressed to: MS Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

Dated: June 21, 2006

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ (Orville R. Cockings)

I hereby certify that this paper (along with any paper referred to as being attached or enclosed) is being deposited with the U.S. Postal Service on the date shown below with sufficient postage as First Class Mail, in an envelope addressed to Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

Dated: June 21, 2006

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

(Orville R. Cockings)

Docket No.: SONYJP 3.0-164  
(PATENT)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:  
Shirahama et al.

Application No.: 09/854,287

Filed: May 11, 2001

For: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR  
PROCESSING PREDETERMINED PROGRAM  
DATA

:  
:  
:  
:  
: Group Art Unit: 2614

:  
: Examiner: B. P. Yenke  
:  
:

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

In response to the Official Action mailed February 22, 2006, applicants submit the following amendments and remarks.